

HOUSE No. 5032

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, September 3, 2024.

The committee on The Judiciary, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1404) of Daniel Cahill, Tommy Vitolo and others relative to protecting homeowners from unnecessary foreclosures; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1533) of Kenneth I. Gordon for legislation to provide certain persons who were abused as a child with compensation from the Division of Victim Compensation and Assistance within the Department of the Attorney General; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1537) of Kenneth I. Gordon relative to the age of consent in certain criminal prosecutions and civil actions for sexual assault and rape of a child; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1538) of Kenneth I. Gordon relative to preventing educator sexual misconduct and abuse of children and youth; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1548) of Natalie M. Higgins and James K. Hawkins relative to preventing suicide; the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1599) of Sally P. Kerans, Rebecca L. Rausch and others relative to further regulating access to abortion care; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1648) of Jay D. Livingstone relative to the distribution of property and the modification of the terms of trusts; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1657) of John J. Mahoney relative to strengthening the penalty for assault or assault and battery on an emergency medical technician, ambulance operator, ambulance attendant or health care provider; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1710) of James J. O'Day, Manny Cruz and others relative to the age of criminal majority; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1754) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and others relative to legalizing certain plant medicine; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1791) of Chynah Tyler and Andrea Joy Campbell relative to protecting the safety of victims of violent crimes; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3589) of Nicholas A. Boldyga relative to the legalization of certain natural plants and fungi; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3921) of Brandy Fluker Oakley relative to establishing a commission to study and

develop proposals for lineage-based reparations programs in the Commonwealth; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4731) of Kathleen R. LaNatra and Colleen M. Garry for legislation to further regulate police reports involving railroad fatalities, reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 5032) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

MICHAEL S. DAY.

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1 *Ordered,* That the committee on The Judiciary be authorized to sit during a recess of the
2 General Court to make an investigation and study of House documents numbered 1404, 1533,
3 1537, 1538, 1548, 1599, 1648, 1657, 1710, 1754, 1791, 3589, 3921 and 4731, relative to
4 educator misconduct, victim compensation, plant medicine and other related matters.

5 Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study
6 and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such
7 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives
8 on or before December 31, 2024.